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SUBJECT: PRESS GUIDANCE ON USG CANTON FAIR ATTENDANCE

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1. FOLLOWING IS PROPOSED BASIC Q-AND-A ON CONSULATE PERSONNEL ATTENDANCE AT THIS FALL'S CANTON TRADE FAIR IN ANTICIPATION PRESS INTEREST THIS TOPIC. REQUEST DEPARTMENT COMMENT AND CONCURRENCE. MATERIAL WILL BE USED ON AN IF-ASKED BASIS ONLY WHEN VISA REQUEST ACTUALLY MADE.

2. Q. DOES THE CONSULATE PLAN TO SEND PEOPLE TO THE FALL FAIR IN CANTON?

A. WE HOPE THAT SOME MEMBERS OF THE CONSULATE'S COMMERCIAL/ ECONOMIC SECTION WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE FAIR.

3. Q. HAVE VISAS BEEN APPLIED FOR?

A. YES.

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4. Q. WHERE AND WHEN?

A. VISAS HAVE BEEN APPLIED FOR AT THE PRC LIAISON OFFICE IN WASHINGTON, IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR USUAL PRACTICE. THEY WERE APPLIED FOR IN MID-SEPTEMBER.

5. Q. HAVE THE VISAS BEEN GRANTED?

A. WE HAVE NOT YET HEARD.

6. Q. WHO HOPES TO GO?

A. WE HAVE APPLIED FOR MR. MORRIS ALLEN, DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE COMMERCIAL/ECONOMIC SECTION, AND MR. SCOTT HALLFORD, A COMMERCIAL/ECONOMIC OFFICER.

7. Q. WHEN DO MESSRS. ALLEN AND HALLFORD HOPE TO GO TO THE FAIR?

A. UNTIL WE RECEIVE WORD ON WHETHER THEIR VISAS WILL BE GRANTED, IT WOULD BE PREMATURE FOR ME TO ANSWER THIS.

8. Q. WHAT WILL BE THEIR DUTIES?

A. IF THEY GO TO THE FAIR, THEY WILL, TOGETHER WITH COMMERCIAL/ECONOMIC OFFICERS FROM USLO, PROVIDE ADVICE AND INFORMATION TO AMERICAN BUSINESSMEN WHO ARE AT THE FAIR.

9. Q. HAVE OTHER CONGEN OFFICERS APPLIED TO GO TO THE FAIR?

A. NO.

10. IF PRESSED, WILL IDENTIFY HOROWITZ, ROPE, PERITO AS USLO OFFICERS AT FAIR, BUT WILL REFER ALL OTHER QUESTIONS ON USLO ATTENDANCE TO PEKING.

11. WILL FOLLOW LINE SET REF A ON OTHER QUESTIONS.
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